

## News Release

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## Frederick County Health Department Reopens to Public July 1

**FREDERICK, MD** -- Effective July 1, the Frederick County Health Department (FCHD) building at 350 Montevue Lane will reopen to the public from 8am to 5pm. All services will be fully accessible, but hours may vary by program. The Health Department will be closed on Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day.

Masks will be required to be worn in all public areas of the health department building and in all meetings or gatherings of employees until September 1, <u>as required</u> by county buildings according to the Frederick County Executive.

"We have worked hard to continue to creatively offer our programs and services during the COVID-19 pandemic, but we are happy to resume more of our normal operations at this time," said Dr. Barbara Brookmyer, Frederick County's Health Officer. "Many of our employees have been redirected to focus on COVID-19 response during the last year, but the current metrics for our community are promising thanks to the high rates of vaccination."

COVID-19 testing and vaccination will continue to be offered at alternate locations.

- Testing
  - o 1100 W. Patrick Street Unit H Frederick, MD 21701 daily from 12-6pm
  - Other locations throughout the county, see https://health.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Vaccination
  - 800 Oak Street (entrance off Himes) Wednesday and Thursday 4-7pm, Friday and Saturday 10am-1pm.
  - Other locations throughout the county, see <u>https://frederickcountymd.gov/COVIDVaccine</u>

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Program hours that differ include:

- Vital Records provides birth and death certificates
  - o Monday Friday, 8:30am 4pm, no appointment needed
- HIV Testing
  - o Tuesday and Friday, 9am-12pm. Call 301-600-3342 to schedule appointments, but walk-ins welcome
- Medical Assistance (Medicaid, MCHP, QHP)
  - Call 301-600-3124 to make a Medicaid Enrollment appointment. Call 301-600-3124 to make a phone appointment for a Qualified Health Plan. Navigator is on site.
  - o Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8am − 3pm
  - Friday 8am 12pm
- Developmental Center
  - o Monday Friday, 8am 4pm

Programs that provide services by going into private homes may ask about household illness before arriving.

Environmental Health Services (EHS) such as Temporary Food Licenses, Burn Permits and Pool Operator Cards can be applied for in person, but will not be issued on the same day. Applications with payments can be dropped off in person during business hours, mailed, or dropped off in the EHS lock box outside entrance A. Applications can also be submitted email/fax in advance, but payments will still require drop off, mail in, or inperson visits. EHS does not have the ability to accept payments online or by phone.

Frederick County Health Department: <a href="health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus">health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus</a>
Maryland Department of Health (MDH): <a href="health.gov">coronavirus.maryland.gov</a>
Centers for Disease Control (CDC): <a href="health.gov">coronavirus.gov</a>

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